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PRODUCING THE SAME

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(A))

Applicants in the above-identified application hereby petition for a one-month extension of time to and including November 15, 2004 (November 14, 2004 being a Sunday) for responding to the Office Action mailed July 14, 2004 (Paper No. 07122004). A response to the Office Action accompanies this Petition.

[X] A check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed herewith.

[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1017 (Billing No. 210059.0406) as noted below. A duplicate copy is enclosed.

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